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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

GURMEET SINGH,

Plaintiff,

v.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND
 SECURITY, ET AL.,

Defendants.

No. C 07-02202 JCS

**PARTIES' JOINT REQUEST TO BE
 EXEMPT FROM FORMAL ADR
 PROCESS**

Each of the undersigned certifies that he or she has read either the handbook entitled "Dispute Resolution Procedures in the Northern District of California," or the specified portions of the ADR Unit's Internet site <www.adr.cand.uscourts.gov>, discussed the available dispute resolution options provided by the court and private entities, and considered whether this case might benefit from any of them.

Here, the parties agree that referral to a formal ADR process will not be beneficial because this Complaint for Declaratory and Injunctive Relief is limited to plaintiff's request that this Court declare Defendants' denial of immigration benefits arbitrary and capricious. Given the substance of the action and the lack of any potential middle ground, ADR will only serve to multiply the proceedings and unnecessarily tax court resources. Accordingly, pursuant to ADR L.R. 3-3(c), the parties request the case be removed from the ADR Multi-Option

1 Program and that they be excused from participating in the ADR phone conference and any
2 further formal ADR process.

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4 DATED: July 20, 2007

Respectfully submitted,

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9 DATED: July 20, 2007

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14 **ORDER**

15 Pursuant to stipulation, IT IS SO ORDERED.

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17 DATED: 7/24/7

18 JOSEPH C. SPERO
19 UNITED STATES

